

## State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Steve Schnoor Kennecott Utah Copper LLC 4700 Daybreak Parkway South Jordan, Utah 84095

Subject: Amended Notice of Intention, Kennecott Barneys Canyon Mining, Barneys Canyon

Mine, M/035/0009, Salt Lake County, Utah

Dear Mr. Schnoor:

On July 27, 2015, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (Division) received an amendment to the Barney's Canyon Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations (Notice) together with form MR-REV. The following information should be noted:

1. (pnb) Page 4-1 indicates that, in general, the highest concentrations of arsenic indicated by the XRF screening were encountered within the upper 6 to 12 inches below the surface. The Division previously requested an explanation of the omission of data from samples taken from between 6 and 18 inches. After discussing the omission over the phone with Kennecott personnel, the Division considers the data omission to be unessential to this approval, and understands that a more complete data set and explanation will be provided for clarity in future correspondence.

The Division recommends that remediation work continue as weather permits including buttressing and capping the leach pads.

After the Division receives the finalized and complete Request for Approval to Construct from the Department of Environmental Quality, a copy stamped accepted will be returned. The approval or acceptance of a complete notice of intention does not relieve an operator from his responsibility to comply with the applicable statutes, rules, regulations, and ordinances of all local, state and federal agencies with jurisdiction over any aspect of the operator's mining operations.



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Please contact Leslie Heppler at 801-538-5257 or me at 801-538-5261 if you have questions about this action. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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